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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Billing-Medel et al.)
Serial No.: 09/516,444)
Filed: February 29, 2000)
Title: Reagents and Methods Useful)
For Detecting Diseases of the)
Breast)

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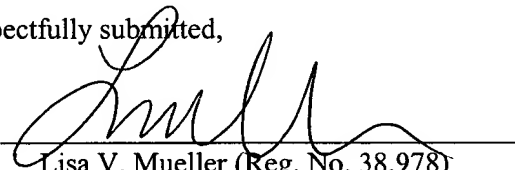
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement mailed on October 2, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants herewith elect to prosecute the claims in Group I (claims 1, 2, 6 and 8). Further, Applicants selected SEQ ID NO:26 to be examined on the merits. This election is made without traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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